AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace prior listings of claims in the application:

Listing of claims

Claim 1 (currently amended):

An unmanned water surface vehicle comprising: a gondola

housing section having bow and stern ends with external lift and control foils located midway

between the bow and stern ends, whereby said gondola housing may to provide lift in water at

sufficient speed, said gondola including housing section mounting a propulsion system at the

stern end and; a superstructure hull located entirely above a waterline said superstructure hull

includes a command and control system capable of remote control, a navigation system, a vehicle

attitude control-system, and a plurality of payloads and sensors; and a strut connecting said

gondola housing section and to said superstructure, wherein hull completely above the waterline.

said strut includes at least one void for passage of a plurality of transmission lines.

Claim 2 (Cancelled).

Claim 3 (Cancelled).

Claim 4 (Cancelled).

Claim 5 (Cancelled).

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Claim 6 (Currently amended):

An unmanned water surface vehicle as defined in claim 1,

wherein said strut includes mounts a rudder above the stern end of the gondola housing section

and the propulsion system.

Claim 7 (Cancelled).

Claim 8 (Cancelled).

Claim 9 (Cancelled).

Claim 10 (Cancelled).

Claim 11 (Cancelled).

Claim 12 (Cancelled).

Claim 13 (Currently amended):

An unmanned water surface vehicle comprising:

a gondola housing having external lift and control foils, adapted spaced from a stern end thereof

to provide lift in water at sufficient speed, said gondola housing includes a propulsion system at

said stern end, a payload compartment, at least one payload system deployable from said payload

compartment; and

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a superstructure hull housing adapted to float on the water at sub foil lifting speeds, said

superstructure housing includes a power generation system, a command and control system, a

navigation system, a vehicle attitude control system, and a plurality of sensors; and

means for connecting said gondola housing and said superstructure housing hull; and a rudder

mounted on said connecting means above the propulsion system at the stern end.

Claim 14 (Cancelled).

Claim 15 (Cancelled).

Claim 16 (Currently amended): An unmanned water surface vehicle as <u>defined</u> in claim 13,

wherein said means for connecting said gondola housing and said superstructure hull comprises: a

faired strut.

Claim 17 (Cancelled).

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